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ADMISSION OF FOREIGN APPLICANTS IN MEDICAL COURSES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of foreign applicants for admission in medical courses in the year 2000-2001;

(b) the number of applicants scrutinised out of them and the criteria adopted for the selection for medical courses; and

(c) the number of students selected for the said courses?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare does not receive applications from the foreigners for admissions in medical courses. The admission of foreign students in medical/dental colleges in India is governed by the scheme devised by the Hon`ble Supreme Court of India in the Unnikrishnan`s case and the instructions issued by the Government from time to time.The State Governments can admit the foreign/NRI students in the Government Medical/dental colleges upto 15% of total intake capacity as per the policy of the respective State Government. The privately managed medical/dental colleges can admit foreign students upto 15% of their intake capacity in year but have to take No Objection Certificate from the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in case of foreign/NRI students.

For academic session 2000-2001, 116 applications for MBBS and 10 for BDS were received from these privately managed medical and dental colleges for grant of No Objection Certificate to the admission of the foreign students through the respective Principals out of which No Objection Certificate were issued for 115 for MBBS and 9 for BDS.

Besides the above, 5 postgraduate medical seats in IMS, BHU, Varanasi and 30 MBBS and one BDS seats were allotted to the self financing foreign students through the seats allocated to Ministry of External Affairs to fulfil the bilateral and diplomatic commitment from the Central Pool of MBBS/BDS seats maintained in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.